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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission has proposed to make the planning process of the country more responsive to the citizens concern;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the present status of the proposal?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (DR. ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a) to (c): The Planning Commission has taken various steps to make the planning process of the country more responsive to the citizens concern. It has adopted a comprehensive consultative process for preparation of 12th Five Year Plan wherein besides in-house discussions and directions of Full Planning Commission (FPC), wide-ranging consultations have been undertaken with various stakeholders including Union Ministries, States, civil societies, Panchayati Raj Institutions, business, labour organisations, academia etc. Planning Commission also held consultations with organisations representing various citizens' groups e.g., women, dalits and youth. In addition, to reach out to all citizens, the Planning Commission has used modern communication tools including a dedicated website and a Facebook page, wherein interested stakeholders could
make their suggestion and express their views on issues concerning 12th Five Year Plan.